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HONGKONG, 23rd February, 1903.

THE report of Dr. F. W. CLARK, Medical
Officer of Health, for the year 1902, appears
earlier in time than many of its predecessors.
It is dated from the Sanitary Board offices
on the 20th January and was laid before the
Board at its last meeting. The report is full
of interest, but is of such length that we are
precluded from doing more than touching
on some of the salient points. To begin
with we must note the constant growth of
the Colony. The domestic buildings, ex-
clusive of barracks and police stations, now
number 9,234, including 920 non-Chinese
buildings, the European dwellings on the
Peak still being put down as some 130.
This shows an increase of 48 non-Chinese
dwellings as compared with the previous
year, and an increase of 140 Chinese
dwellings. The plans of 808 new buildings
and of alterations to 1,833 existing buildings
have passed through Dr. Clark's hands
during the year, with a view to seeing that
they complied with the Public Health
Ordinance; these figures include, as in
former years, many alternative plans and
amendments to rejected plans. During the
previous year plans of 1,369 new buildings
and of alterations to 1,497 existing buildings
were received, so that the records of the
past year show a considerable decrease in
the number of new buildings planned, and
a fairly large increase in the number of altera-
tions to existing buildings. With the growth
of the Colony the most important matter is
naturally its sanitary condition, and 1902
should mark a turning point in the history
of this, consequent upon the visit of Pro-
fessor SIMMONS and Mr. CHADWICK. The
Public Health and Buildings Bill, gradually
approaching its final form, is looked to as
promising steady improvement in sanitary

conditions. In conjunction with better con-
struction of new buildings, resumption of in-
sanitary properties and removal of obstruc-
tive buildings, must go hand in hand. Dr.
CLARK writes:—"Such an undertaking, in
other cities, has almost always been
"carried out by a Trust, instituted for the
purpose, and as the time appears now to
be ripe for some elaborate scheme of
"resumption of insanitary property, I have
"appended to this report a reprint of a
"draft-scheme drawn up by Mr. MAX, Mr.
"OSBORNE, and myself, some three years
ago, which may at least serve as a basis
"for discussion when this question is again
"considered, and lead, I hope, to some
"decisive action at no distant date." We
trust that this suggestion of the Medical
Officer of Health will not be allowed to
pass unheeded, for whether the scheme
recommends itself or not to the authorities
it is obvious that action of some kind in the
direction indicated cannot be longer delayed.
In connection with the general sanitary
conditions of Hongkong under its new con-
ditions it must be noted that Dr. CLARK
once more raises the question of the insuffi-
ciency of public sanitary conveniences such
as latrines and bath-houses, which is of
course accentuated by every advance in
population here. It is unnecessary to
emphasize the extent of the recent advance.
The census of January, 1897, gave the
population as 248,880; that of January, 1901,
as 283,975 (exclusive of the New Terri-
tories); while the estimated population at
the middle of 1902 was 311,824—a wonder-
ful increase.

This population is essentially a male adult
one, no less than 72.9 per cent. of the Chinese
and 62.5 per cent. of the non-Chinese civil
population being male, and more than half
the civil population being between the ages
of 20 and 45. The proportion of males at
the census taken in 1897 was, among the
Chinese 70.9 per cent., and among the non-
Chinese 58.6 per cent., and the reduction in
the proportion of women both among
Chinese and non-Chinese is, Dr. CLARK
considers, the direct result of the greatly
enhanced cost of living of late years, and
the increasing difficulty in obtaining suit-
able accommodation for families. This is a
striking corroboration of the complaints
which we hear on every side. As to surface-
crowding Dr. CLARK's remarks still more
demand attention. He says:—"I have in
"previous reports called attention to the
"acute surface crowding which exists in the
"more central districts of the City. Dis-
"trict No. 5 shows more than 800 persons
"to the acre, while Districts 6, 9, 4, 7 and 8
"are also far too densely packed with
"human beings, and it is essential to the
"welfare of this Colony that a remedy
"should be speedily found and put into
"operation for this insanitary condition.
"So far as I have been able to ascertain,
"there is no other city in the world which
"has 132 persons to the acre, and yet this is
"the density of population of the City of
"Victoria as a whole, that is to say, includ-
"ing all the outlying vacant lands, and the
"villages, Race Course, and cemeteries in
"No. 1 Health District, the public gardens
"and all the vacant military land in Nos.
"2 and 3 Health Districts, and all the
"unoccupied hill-side below the upper limit
"of the City Health Districts (i.e., about
"450 feet above high water mark). Glas-
"gow, which is the most densely crowded of
"the large cities of the United Kingdom,
"has but 61 persons to the acre. It will
"also be seen from the first table that
"Health Districts 2 and 9, in which dis-
"tricts the outbreaks of bubonic plague
"almost invariably commence and are the
"most severe, show the greatest number of
"occupants per floor, namely, 8.8 and 9.0
"as compared with an average for the City
"of 7.4; this, in itself, is excessive, although
"well within the limit of thirty square feet
"of floor space per head, which is all that
"is at present legally required in any
"dwelling in the Colony, except within the
"European District Reservation area, where
"each person must be allowed one thou-
"sand cubic feet of air space—thus neces-
"sitating a larger floor area."

We make no apology for so long a quota-
tion, for the matter is absolutely vital to
the Colony. It cannot be wondered at that
the death-rate is so high, seeing that so
much remains to be done—and so much, we
might add, to be begun—in the improve-
ment of the sanitary conditions of the
inhabitants. Yet, though our death-rate is
exceedingly high, having regard to the fact
that the population is so largely composed
of young adults, it is, as the Medical
Officer's report says, satisfactory to find
that, in spite of the persistence of plague,
the death-rate shows a considerable reduc-
tion during the past ten years as compared
with the previous decade. The average
annual rate has dropped from 27.27 to
23.37 per 1,000. The total number of
deaths registered during 1902 was 6,783, as
compared with 7,082 during the previous
year. The death-rate for 1902 was, there-
fore, 21.7 per 1,000 as compared with 23.5
in 1901, 23.9 for 1900, and an average of

23.0 per 1,000 during the past five years.
These deaths include 582 from plague. The
birth-rate in 1902 was 8.8 per 1,000 as
compared with 8.6 in 1901, 8.3 in 1900,
and 4.3 in 1899. But the number of
Chinese births registered does not give an
accurate record of the total number of births
of Chinese that have occurred in the Colony,
for many of the infants that die during the
first month or so of life remain unregistered.
It has been customary, therefore, to add to
the registered births the number of infants
of one month old and under that die in the
various convents, or are found by the
police in the streets or in the harbour.
The number during 1902 was 239 males
and 364 females, making a total of 603; and
the addition of these figures to the
registered Chinese births gives a total of
1,569 as compared with 1,410 during the
previous year. The corrected birth-rate is
6.1 per 1,000, while among the Chinese
alone the rate becomes 5.3 per 1,000.

To one other matter only in Dr. CLARK's
report do we propose here to refer, and that
is the rainfall of 1902, a matter which, it
will readily be understood, has a close con-
nection with the health of the Colony.
The total rainfall during 1902 was 97.5
inches as compared with 55.78 in 1901 and
an average of 77.86 during the past ten
years. These figures might surprise those
of us, living in enjoyment of a two
hours' daily supply of water, who have
forgotten the heavy rains which we
occasionally experienced last year. The
greatest amount of rain which fell on
any one day was 8.06 inches on August
2nd, while no rain fell on 228 days of the
year; the relative humidity of the at-
mosphere throughout the year was 75.6 per
cent. as compared with 76 per cent. in the
previous year; while during March to
August it averaged continuously over 82
per cent. The average daily amount of sun-
shine throughout the year was 5.3 hours and
on 51 days no sunshine was recorded. Dr.
CLARK comments:—"In my annual
"report for 1899 I showed that the
"average rainfall during the decade ending
"that year was eleven and a half inches
"less than the average rainfall during the
"preceding decade. The above figures
"show that the average has fallen still
"further, for during the past decade it has
"been more than sixteen and a half inches
"less than during that ending 1892. Any
"estimates of water-supply, therefore, based
"on previous records of rainfall are subject
"to a very considerable discount from this
"cause, while a continuous supply can only
"be assured by taking as the basis of
"calculation the lowest annual rainfall of
"say, the last twenty years."

Another fatal Chinese case of plague was
reported in the Colony during the day ending
at noon on Saturday, being the 21st since the
beginning of the year.

To the register of medical and surgical
practitioners qualified to practise in the Colony
the names of Messrs. Sanzabrow Kobayashi
and Oswald Marriott have been added.

On Saturday the U.S. monitor *Monterey*
arrived from Canton and the British battleship
Gloria from Manila. Three German warships
left the Harbour yesterday—the *Geiger* for
Singapore, and the *Itis* and *Tiger* for Canton.

On Saturday morning a badger was caught
and killed in a coppice just below Stewart Ter-
race, at the Peak. It was first seen by a dog
belonging to Mr. Leyton, and a number of
coolies aided by dogs ran it to earth and killed
it with a bamboo. It was a fine specimen.

A scratch four-race will take place on the
21st March under the auspices of the Victoria
Recreation Club. Entries close at 6 p.m. to-day,
and it is one of the conditions that each crew
must include a griffin. A double scull race will
also take place if there are sufficient entries.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that at a meeting
of shareholders and subscribers of St. John's
Cathedral, held on the 27th January, the follow-
ing were elected Lay Members of the Church
Body, for the year 1903:—Messrs. J. M. Atkinson,
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His Honour Sir W. Meigh Good-
man, Kt., K.C., Hon. R. Murray Rumsey,
Retd. Commander, R.N., and R. T. Wright
(Hon. Treas.). Mr. E. C. Edwards was elected
Auditor.

The Rev. Dr. Pentecost preached yesterday
morning at ten o'clock in the City Hall, and in
the evening addressed a general meeting in the
Theatre Royal. At 8.30 p.m. to-day he will
speak at a public meeting to be held in the City
Hall. On Wednesday, under the auspices of
the Odd Volumes Society, Dr. Pentecost will
lecture on "The Reasonableness of Christianity."
The public are invited to attend the meeting,
which takes place at 5.15 p.m., not 8.30 p.m., as
already announced.

An object of general remark and admiration
at present is the improvement effected upon
Messrs. Cottam & Co.'s premises in the Hong-
kong Hotel corridor. A new window has been
knocked into the wall; it is of spacious dimen-
sions, and, brilliantly lighted and set off with
an excellent assortment of silk ties, shirts, hats,
etc., it unfailingly catches the eye of the passer-
by as well as adding to the attractions of the
corridor. The management is now vested in Mr.
P. Goodwin, late of Shanghai.

A list of directions and fees for bacteriological
examinations is published in the *Gazette*.

The *Straits Times* learns that the Russian
squadron now on the way to the Far East does
not call at Singapore, but touches at Pulo Way.

A Calcutta telegram of February 5th says:—
There were 24,500 deaths from plague in India
last week, an increase of a thousand on the
mortality of the previous week, and double that
which occurred in the same period of 1902.

We understand that the A.D.C. intends to
pay a visit to Canton and give a performance of
His Excellency the Governor on the Shamen
next Saturday with almost the same cast as in
the recent performance here, one of the lead-
ing ladies only being missing.

Ceylon papers publish a telegram dated
London, February 7th, which says that "in
the Rugby football match Scotland scored six
goals and Wales nil." This reads like an
error. If the Rugby match is referred to, it
looks more probable that the score was 6 points
to nil in Scotland's favour than 6 goals to nil.

The Civil Commission at Manila has passed
an act providing for the appointment of an
electrical engineer and a hydraulic engineer to
act jointly in making a survey of the Diliman
river at the Botocan falls with a view to utilising
the water power in operating an electrical
plant to supply current to the city.

Mr. Henry Phipps, partner of Mr. Andrew
Carnegie, at present travelling in India, has
placed at the disposal of the Viceroy £20,000
to be devoted by the Government of India to
some object of practical benefit or scientific
research. The nature of the object will be
determined in consultation between the
Government and Mr. Phipps.

The mortality for the month of January in
Singapore was 897, giving a death-rate of 45.74
per thousand. Of these 218 deaths were due to
fever and 107 to phthisis. Seven Europeans
were amongst those who died. During the
first week of February there were 231 deaths,
of which 65 were attributed to fever. The
ratio per thousand was 55.62.

An official communication has been received
from the War Office that in future both the
Congregational and Baptist denominations will
be among the recognised communions in the
Army. Hitherto soldiers have been only able
to declare themselves on the attestation forms
as belonging to the Anglican, Presbyterian,
Roman Catholic, or Wesleyan Methodist
Churches, but now soldiers who are Baptists or
Congregationalists may so declare themselves
on joining. Action in the matter had been
recently taken by the councils of both unions
and resolutions submitted to the Secretary of
State for War.

In a New York telegram appearing in the
Manila Cablenews, announcing that the Bill
making the gold peso the unit of value in the
Philippines had been passed by the Senate, it
is stated that the peso will have a standard weight
of 12.9-10 grains and the silver pesos will have
a standard of 416 grains. Subsidiary coinage
is also provided for. Five million silver pesos
will be coined at once. Spanish Mexican coin
will cease to be legal tender on January 1, 1904.
To maintain the parity, the Philippine Govern-
ment is authorised to issue certificates to the
amount of ten million dollars, payable in
American gold coin. The Bill will have an
early conference and there is every prospect
of its being concurred in by the House of
Representatives.

The Superintendent of the Alice Memorial
and Netherlands Hospitals begs to acknowledge
with thanks the following donations to the
Building Fund of the Netherlands Maternity
Hospital:—

Woo Long Shan	...	50
Ip Wa Kwan	...	50
Kwong Mow Tai	...	50
Chiu Chan Sam	...	50
Chiu Chung How	...	50
Cheong Wo	...	50
Chiu Seng Sheng	...	50
Po Lung	...	50
Ku Fai Shan	...	50
Yeung Kin Cho	...	50
Gow Hing Ki	...	50
Fung Tsz Wo	...	50
Fung Kam Shun	...	50
Chiu Shun	...	50
Yung Sui Po	...	50
Chun King Ting	...	50
Him Tai	...	50
Leigh & Orange	...	50

It was notified last month from the War
Office that, "in order that the official history of
the South African war may be made as com-
prehensive as possible, it is desirable that the
compiler should have placed at his disposal all
official records relating thereto." Consequently,
orders have been given for all officers command-
ing units to send to—Lieut.-Col. G. F. R.
Henderson, C.B. (who is specially engaged at
Headquarters upon the war records), copies of
their regimental records kept under the King's
Regulations so far as they relate to the war.
As indicating the particular information to be
supplied, paragraph 2171 of the Regulations
states that the regimental records shall "specify
the battles, sieges, and other military operations
in which the corps has been engaged, and record
its achievements. It is to contain the names of
all officers killed or wounded by the enemy, and
the names of any officer or soldier who may have
specially distinguished himself in action."

DEATH OF A WELL-KNOWN
ACTRESS.

A cable received in Hongkong yesterday
announced the death, at Johannesburg, South
Africa, of Miss Kate Vaughan, the well-known
actress, for so many years connected with the
Gaiety Theatre, London. Her sister, Miss
Susie Vaughan, is at present in Hongkong with
the Brough Company.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 19th February.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN IN
SOUTH AFRICA.

Mr. Chamberlain has had a prolonged inter-
view with Mr. Hofmayer and several leading
ex-Afrikaner ministers.

GREAT BRITAIN, GERMANY,
AND CHINA.

Lord Cranborne, referring to the German
agreement with China prior to the evacuation
of Shanghai, said that China in reply to Great
Britain's refusal to recognise the agreement,
declared she would not allow anything that had
passed to prejudice Great Britain's rights on
the Yangtze. Lord Cranborne had no reason
to feel displeased with the result of the affair
and considered that the Japanese Agreement
enormously strengthened our position in China.

LATER.

PARLIAMENT AND CHINA.

Lord Cranborne replying in the House said
that the Government had not modified its view
concerning the control of the Chinese Customs
in the future; that the Government had not
yet received an invitation to participate in a
conference on the subject of the Mexican and
Chinese proposals regarding currency; and that
the Government had not recommended China
to introduce a national currency coin in pur-
suance of the Anglo-Chinese agreement.

LONDON, 20th February.

THE NEAR EAST.

All the Powers have instructed the Amba-
sadors to support the Austro-Russian
Macedonian reform scheme.

THE CASE OF COL. KINLOCH.

The Service Members of the House of
Commons have decided to take no action in the
case of Col. Kinloch.

LONDON, 20th February.

SPORT—WATERLOO CUP.

In the Waterloo Cup, *Father Flint* beat
Paracelus.

THE UNITED STATES NAVY.

The Washington House has passed the Bill
for the increase of the Navy by the construc-
tion of three new battleships and one cruiser.

JUBILEE OF THE POPE'S ACCESSION.

The Pope celebrated the jubilee of his
accession to-day. His Holiness bore the
ceremonies without fatigue.

THE CAPE.

Judging by the Cape newspapers, racial
animosities seem to be more pronounced than
ever.

HONGKONG QUARANTINED
BY SINGAPORE.

We received on Saturday from the Colonial
Secretary's office a copy of the following
telegram from the Colonial Secretary, Singa-
pore, to the Colonial Secretary, Hongkong,
dated 20th February, 1903:—

"Hongkong declared to be infected."

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for the
opinions expressed by our correspondents.]

THE CURRENCY MEETING.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."
Hongkong, 21st February, 1903.

SIR,—In your leading article on the currency
meeting in to-day's issue, in attempting to
account for the discrepancy between the show
of hands and the numbers of the cards voted
against the resolution, you fall into an error in
apparently supposing that one person had three
or four votes. The companies managed by
firms were represented by the chief executive
officer, unless I am mistaken. This is the con-
dition under which they joined the Chamber, as
I ought to know, having been instrumental in
inducing most of them to become members.
Moreover, these local companies having a large
stake in the Colony should be represented in
the Chamber, and if their representa-
tive for the time being does not voice the
opinions of the majority of the shareholders it
is a matter to be regretted, but I do not see
how it is to be avoided.—Yours, etc.,

R. CHATTERTON WILCOX.

SUPREME COURT.

Saturday, 21st February.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR WILLIAM M
GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

THE QUARRY LAY FATAL RIOT.

The hearing was continued of the case in
which nineteen coolies were charged with riot
and wounding with intent to murder.

The Attorney General in addressing the jury
stated that thirteen of the prisoners had only
one witness against them.

The jury found the remaining six guilty
as libelled.
His Lordship sentenced each of the six to
two years' imprisonment with hard labour.
The Court adjourned until this morning.

THEATRE ROYAL.

"THE SECOND IN COMMAND."

The Brough Company on Saturday night
introduced to Hongkong for the first time
Captain Marshall's military comedy *The Second
in Command*, meeting with a well-deserved
success. A great contrast to *Are You a Mason?*
the second piece in the Brough's repertory
gives a still better chance for our visitors
to exhibit their talents. The author of *His
Excellency the Governor* has in the play which
we witnessed on Saturday presented an amusing
picture of military life, though we would not
like to guarantee its perfect accuracy. However,
it is sufficiently realistic to appeal even to an
audience of which a large section is itself
military. There is a good deal of sentiment
as well as of comedy in *The Second in Command*,
and if Captain Marshall makes his heroes
quixotic to an extent which would be irritating
in real life, we must forgive him in consid-
eration of the genuine entertainment which his
work provides, and must overlook the strain
on our credulity imposed by the scene in
"Tralalgar Cottage," Portsmouth. *The Second
in Command*, as played by the Brough Company
is well worth seeing—even of seeing twice.

Messrs. Brough and Lovell between them
took the leading masculine roles, those of the
two officers of varying degrees of quixotry. Mr.
Brough's Major Christopher Bingham was
used hardly say, a finished performance, and we
ask for no better exponent of the part. Quiet
and restrained, he made the audience accept
his conduct as natural and carried through the
improbable fourth act to a successful conclusion.
Mr. Lovell, who has come on very much indeed
since his last visit to Hongkong, was most
excellent as Lieut.-Col. Miles Anstruther. It
is a tribute to his capacities that in the love
scene with Muriel Manning he did not annoy.
Mr. Leslie Victor's Hildebrand Carstairs was
distinctly good, though hardly convincing in
the hospital scene; his health appeared to moun-
d too rapidly. The other chief man's part was
Lieut. Sir Walter Manrover, appropriately
portrayed by Mr. Ernest Vere. Of the ladies,
Mrs. Brough lost none of the opportunities
offered by the rôle of Muriel, to which she
imparted her characteristic grace and charm.
Lady Harbrough was most amusingly depicted
by Miss Susie Vaughan, and Norah Vining
brilliantly sustained by Miss Brenda Gibson. We
must not forget the capable manner in which the
minor parts were taken by Messrs. McLean,
Walsh, Higson, Webster, Leslie, Clark,
McIntyre, and Daly.

The full cast was as follows:—

Mr. W. T. Lovell	Mr. Brough
Mr. Ernest Vere	Mr. M. McLean
Mr. M. McLean	Mr. Percy Walsh
Mr. Percy Walsh	Mr. Higson
Mr. Higson	Mr. Webster
Mr. Webster	Mr. Leslie
Mr. Leslie	Mr. Clark
Mr. McIntyre	Mr. McIntyre
Mr. Hildebrand Carstairs	Mr. Leslie Victor
Mr. Victor	Mr. Orlando Daly
Mr. Orlando Daly	Mr. Brough
Mr. Brough	Mr. Susie Vaughan
Mr. Susie Vaughan	Mr. Muriel Manning
Mr. Muriel Manning	Miss Brenda Gibson
Miss Brenda Gibson	

Among those present on Saturday were H.E.
the Governor and the Government House party.
The Second in Command will be repeated to-
night.

EXCITING INCIDENT ON THE

"HAMBURG."

The passengers on the Hamburg-America
steamship *Hamburg*, which arrived in port on
Friday evening and departed for the north on
Saturday, witnessed a somewhat exciting incident
in the Straits of Malacca. Between Penang and
Singapore one of the quartermasters, whilst
engaged in tightening some of the awning
ropes, fell overboard. The sea was calm, and,
as the accident happened shortly after luncheon
time, when many passengers were on deck, life-
buoys were promptly thrown. In falling from the
ship the unfortunate man hurt his left arm, but
managed to get hold of one of the buoys and
support himself until rescued by a boat which
was lowered from the ship. As sharks abound
in the Malacca Straits the sensation both for
the quartermaster and the eager spectators on
the ship was a distinctly unpleasant one, and
when the unfortunate man was rescued the
relief felt by the passengers was expressed by
a ringing cheer.

CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. ("A" TEAM) V. ARMY ORDONANCE C.C.

In this match, which was played on Saturday in perfect cricket weather, the Army men made an unexpectedly good light of it with a rather strong "A" team of the H.K.C.C. Indeed, if their fielding had only been to the level of their batting and bowling, it is quite possible that they would have won. As it was, however, their slackness in this department of the game robbed them of any chance of victory, as the Club batsmen, profiting by the many mistakes in the field, ran up a score which was unlikely to be exceeded. Through a variety of circumstances, three of the originally selected Club team were unable to play and their places had to be filled at the last moment. The Army men won the toss, but, as only six of the eleven were on the ground at 11.45, they sportingly put their opponents in. Radcliffe and Barrett were the first pair of batsmen, and so well did they hit that, helped by some mistakes in the field, they put on 79 runs in about 40 minutes before Barrett was bowled for a useful 27. On Fawcett joining Radcliffe another start was made and the score was taken to 97 before Radcliffe was bowled for a well hit, if somewhat lucky, 54. Carter and Fawcett also gave a good deal of trouble to the Army men, and with the aid of some luck added 55 runs to the score, when Fawcett was bowled for a hard hit 32. Gray, who followed, was twice badly missed early in his innings, but he also hit well and helped Carter to add 63 runs for the fourth wicket before he, too, was clean bowled. Lambie did not stay long, and with the full of his wicket Ward declared the innings closed—the score then being 227 for 5 wickets down. Carter carried out his bat for a capital 54. As stated above, it was the fielding of the Army men that enabled the Club team to make such a formidable score, as each of the batsmen gave one or more chances, most of which were simple ones. The ground fielding, too, was poor, and many runs were lost through this fault.

With two hours left for play, there seemed to be every chance of the Club team getting their opponents out, especially as Dixon, Fawcett and Lambie were available for bowling. For once, however, these usually dependable frontiers failed, and the dismissal of the Army batsmen was brought about by less famous bowlers. Lillywhite and Tillman started well and took the score to 16 before Tillman was bowled for a useful 16. Lillywhite continued to play well, and was not got rid of until he had scored a very creditable 53. Anscombe also hit well and contributed a very useful 38. Rutter too, gave trouble and refused to be tempted to hit. At length, however, he ran out to one of Ward's insinuating slows and, missing it, was well stumped by Goldring. None of the others gave much trouble, but the last man was only disposed of on the stroke of time, the score then being 174. The match thus ended in an easy win for the Club by 5 wickets and 53 runs. Elborough was very successful with the ball, taking 5 wickets for 39 runs, and Ward's 3 wickets for 36 was a useful, if somewhat unexpected, performance. The fielding generally was rather better than usual, though it still fell short to be desired. The following are the full scores and analyses—

H.K.C.C. ("A")			
T. M. Barrett, R.N., b. Skinner	27		
Capt. Radcliffe, R.E., b. Bradford	54		
Capt. Fawcett, R.A., b. Bradford	32		
R. H. Carter, R.N., not out	54		
T. C. Gray, b. Skinner	36		
P. T. Lambie, b. Hurl	2		
J. T. Dixon	2		
A. C. E. Elborough	1		
H. Warren	1		
A. G. Ward (capt.)	1		
P. W. Goldring	1		
Extras	22		

Total (for 5 wickets).....227			
A.O.D.			
J. L. Lillywhite (capt.), b. Warren	53		
T. Tillman, b. Carter	16		
B. Skinner, b. Fawcett, b. Carter	4		
Anscombe, c. Carter, b. Elborough	38		
C. Rutter, c. Goldring, b. Ward	14		
E. Bradford, c. Carter, b. Elborough	4		
Palmer, c. Goldring, b. Elborough	7		
E. McArthur, c. Goldring, b. Elborough	2		
W. T. Burgess, c. Dixon, b. Elborough	0		
W. Bromley, b. Ward	11		
H. E. Hatwell, not out	10		
Extras	10		

BOWLING ANALYSIS.			
H.K.C.C. ("A")	R.	M.	W.
Bradford	10	33	2
Turner	6	1	38
Skinner	13	3	37
Palmer	2	21	4
Lillywhite	3	4	4
Hatwell	5.2	1	21
Anscombe	1	1	1

A.O.D.			
H.K.C.C. ("A")	R.	M.	W.
J. T. Dixon	14	4	34
Lambie	3	3	25
Fawcett	5	1	9
Carter	10	1	48
Elborough	4.5	1	39
Ward	4.5	1	38

The return match, Over 50 v. Under 30, has been arranged for next Saturday, and members wishing to play are requested to write their names in the match-book.

UNION CHURCH V. CRAIGENOWER C.C.
Teams representing the above played a cricket match at the Happy Valley on Saturday and the former won by 29 runs. For the winners, Grimble contributed 32 and the Rev. Hickling 29 not out was the outcome of a very careful game. Cooper bowled extremely well, capturing 6 wickets at the expense of 25 runs, whilst Brown for Craigenower proved himself the most successful batsman and bowler. Appended are the scores and analyses—

UNION CHURCH TEAM.			
Rev. H. R. Wells, L.W., b. Brown	0		
W. M. Everett, b. Brown	5		
C. E. S. Cooper, b. Brown	9		
G. F. Jamieson, c. M. E. Agge, b. Fawcett	1		
A. MacKenzie (capt.), b. Brown	1		
G. Grimble, b. Brown	32		
W. Brown, b. Poston	32		
Rev. C. H. Hickling, not out	29		
J. W. C. Dummer, b. Brown	2		
W. G. Gwyn, b. Lammet	5		
W. E. Clure, c. Kinnaird, b. Brown	7		
Extras	3		

Total.....95

CRAIGENOWER C.C.			
M. H. Hartman, c. Cooper	8		
L. E. Kinnaird, c. Brown, b. MacKenzie	4		
A. O. Brown, b. Cooper	13		
M. E. Agge (capt.), c. Grimble, b. Cooper	12		
B. Brown, b. Cooper	9		
J. L. Stuart, L.W., b. MacKenzie	0		
L. A. Ross, not out	4		
R. Poston, b. Cooper	12		
J. P. Jordan, L.W., b. MacKenzie	0		
A. E. Agge, c. Brown, b. MacKenzie	0		
Extras	9		

BOWLING ANALYSIS.			
UNION CHURCH TEAM.	R.	M.	W.
Brown	13.1	2	49
Poston	8	1	21
Hartman	4	1	15
Lammet	1	1	3

CRAIGENOWER C.C.			
Cooper	0	1	23
MacKenzie	8	1	22
Lammet	4	1	13
Grimble	1	1	5

FOOTBALL.

SHIELD TIE—V.R.C. V. H.M.S. "ARGONAUT."

At Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon, in fine weather and before a good turn-out of spectators, the above teams met to play their tie in the second round of the Shield competition. The sides were:—

V.R.C.: Goal—Fittok; backs—Lapsley (capt.) and Duncan; halves—Austin, J. Wit, chell, and Henderson; forwards—H. A. Seth, Humphreys, Herton, Holmes and Sayer.

H.M.S. Argonaut: Goal—Robinson; backs—Morrison and Taylor; halves—Clissold, Hodge, and Perry; forwards—Brown, Gogle, Paton, Callaghan, and Stevens.

Referee—Sergeant Harper, H.M.S. Ocean.

The V.R.C. set the ball in motion, and both teams at once settled down to a hard game. Neither had any particular advantage for the first five minutes or so, but the Argonauts thereafter adopted aggressive tactics that brought them frequently in close proximity to Fittok's position. It was during one of these sieges that the first and only goal of the match was scored, Paton defeating Fittok and finding the net with a fast shot. The V.R.C. responded with a run up the field, but got a bye only, and from the goal-kick the "Blues" again came away to the front. Gogle, who had charge of the leather, outwitted Henderson easily, and centred. Duncan cleared, and Herton, supported by Holmes and Sayer, took up the pass and transferred play to the other end. Robinson had an anxious time for a space, the V.R.C. pressing hard with the determination to notch the equaliser. Herton had two shots at goal, but each went past. The give-and-take character of the game kept the spectators continually on the qui vive, as well as the respective custodians, and excitement often ran high. The Club were awarded a free kick in Argonaut territory, but Henderson topped the net with it, and there followed a dangerous rush by the sailors which the Club's halves turned splendidly. A repetition of the attack saw the ball travel across the goal-mouth and over the line. Henderson, who was never conspicuous, gave away a free kick at centre, but the "Blues" failed to turn the advantage to account.

Herton, who alternated ornamentally with useful work, made a plucky bid to put his side on even terms, but though he succeeded in getting behind the defence he lost the ball by dribbling it too hard. A pass beautifully centred from the Argonauts' left wing was badly accounted for by Brown, who captured close in but through business sent the ball to the outside of the post. The V.R.C. were playing a defensive game, and had to sacrifice a couple of corners on their left, neither of which was improved, although the first looked very dangerous. The Argonauts potted, time and again, but could never quite reach the net, Duncan and Fittok playing a sterling game and keeping their goal inviolate. The "Blues" were in V.R.C. territory when half-time was called, the score then standing—

H.M.S. Argonaut, 1; V.R.C., 0.

The Club invaded on the resumption, Herton in charge. He sent in a hard ground shot and missed the sticks by inches only. The sailors played a cautious game, and contented themselves with negotiating the attacks of the opposing forwards. When these had become less spirited they broke away on a visit to Fittok. Lapsley missed the ball, but the valiant custodian filed in the breach manfully and kicked clear. Another couple of corners fell to the "Blues" on their left, but again neither was improved, the second being badly taken. Morrison, the Argonauts' right back, put in some most useful work, and gained repeated applause for the magnificent way in which he returned every ball that came in his direction. Lapsley was slightly hurt, and the game was stopped for a short time till he got on his feet again. Offside against their opponents gave the Club an opportunity to clear their ground, but they did it without material disadvantages to the sailors, Morrison proving one too many for the Admirals. Seth, who was not so energetic as we have seen him, centred well from the wing, and a tangle ensued near goal. The "Blues" were just emerging with the ball when a short cut them a free kick, and in the next few moments their goal stood in greater danger than at any previous or ultimate stage of the game. They rose to the occasion, however, and Paton took his forwards down the field in a rush towards Fittok. The halves were easily passed, and it lay with Lapsley to respond to the attack. This he did by sending the leather out of play, when he might just as easily and with more effectiveness have done otherwise, for he had plenty of time. Herton got possession eventually, and passed to Seth, who made a fruitless attempt to defeat Robinson. Herton again captured when the ball was returned, and this time Robinson conceded a corner. This, and another which he followed, the Club failed to turn to account, having to retire unsuccessful after a lot of exciting work at goal. The game, which preserved its interest for the spectators to the last, was stopped just on time by reason of an injury, fortunately but slight, to one of the Argonauts' forwards, who collided at the Club's goal with one of his own partners. When it recommenced, the sailors showed their bombardment, and had hard luck in not raising their score, one shot striking the cross-bar and another one of the uprights. The call of time found the score unaltered:—

H.M.S. Argonaut, 1; V.R.C., 0.

A ghostlike assemblage gathered at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank yesterday night. Eerie and weird was the aspect of a silent throng, the dancers arrayed in the "latest thing" in bed linen, and one was reminded of Professor Davis's scene of Maskeyne and Cook. This throng of silent figures was the most brilliant and jolliest of the season's ever seen. Every detail was carried out to perfection, one special feature of the dance being the band of the First Regiment, which came up from Meten for the occasion, and the kindness of Admiral Gieseler, in giving to the band, on a good day, with ever so many, an amiable conclusion to pure enjoyment was indeed a treat for our out-of-the-world little party, and the genial host, Mr. Rickett, is much to be congratulated on the success of his dance.

Professor Zuercher, a co-jury of more than every-day proficiency, gave two entertainments at the Theatre on Tuesday—Foolchow Echo.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The O. & O. steamer *Cadie*, with mails, left Nagasaki on the 20th inst. at 4 p.m., and is due at Manila on the 25th inst., at 7 a.m. Her mails were transferred at Nagasaki to *Kasuga Maru*, and are due here to-morrow morning.

The N. Y. K. steamer *Kasuga Maru* (Australian Line) left Nagasaki for this port on the 20th inst., p.m., and is expected here to-morrow.

The C.P.E. steamer *Empress of India* left Yokohama on the 20th inst., p.m., for Victoria and Vancouver.

The steamer *Gregory Apar*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the afternoon of the 20th inst.

The N. Y. K. steamer *Isaba Maru* (European Line) left Singapore for this port on the 20th inst., p.m., and is expected here on the 26th inst.

The O.E.S. steamer *Kinkaid* left Singapore on the 21st inst., and is expected here on the 26th inst.

REVIEW.

East of Asia. No. 4. Shanghai, North-China Herald Office.

This fourth number of *East of Asia* issued from the North-China Herald Office, Shanghai, contains among its most readable articles one by Mr. E. J. Ezra on "Chinese Jews." It is, as the writer remarks, not well known that Jews in considerable numbers have existed in China from a very remote period,

but Mr. Ezra mentions that on one of the stone tablets found in the long-since-degraded synagogue at Kaifeng, the capital of Houan, it is recorded that the Jews first entered China during the Han Dynasty, (from B.C. 200 to A.D. 226), while the letters of the Jesuit fathers fix the date of their entry as during the reign of Mingti (A.D. 58 to 75). Mr. Ezra concurs in the view of the Jesuit fathers that the Jews came from Persia. The ritual established amongst the Chinese Jews, he says, clearly comes by way of Persia. It would appear that at one time there must have been a considerable Jewish community at Kaifeng, but floods and rebellions have worked havoc amongst them and the number now remaining is not more than 145 adults. These "pious remnants" have no synagogue left, no leader, and no school in which to train the children in the faith of their fathers, but something is being done by the Jewish community in Shanghai to save them from utter extinction. Another article of historical interest is that of Mr. John Archibald on the memorial tablet of Yu, "the Chinese Noah," concerning the Chinese Deluge, which took place not long after the accepted date of the Biblical flood. Mrs. Timothy Richard contributes an article on "Chinese Music," the facts about which she says have been gathered first hand from Chinese authorities; the Rev. C. Bone has an article on the Kwangung University at Canton, with especial reference to the impending radical changes in the curriculum. Mr. Theodore Metzger's second character sketch from Chinese history deals with Kublai Khan, whom he describes as "at once an ambitious, cold-blooded conqueror and a friend and patron of learning and all the arts of peace." Not the least interesting of the articles in the current issue of the magazine is that on the Sze-chuan Observatory by Mr. C. Hink, and a very readable contribution is that by the Rev. C. E. Darwent on the 'ai Hu, "the great Lake, the Lake of Lakes, the very Father of Waters of all the creeks, lakes and lakelets that lie between Shanghai and Wuhu." We have sufficiently indicated that the current issue maintains the highly favourable impression created by the previous numbers of the magazine, and we need only add that all the articles are illustrated by capital reproductions from photographs.

FOOLCHOW.

Foolchow, 14th February.

Foolchow has been visited this week by Vice-Admiral Gieseler. The first time he was unable to come up the river by reason of her great draught of water, a visit to Matsui by the gunboat *Jaguar*, and the Admiral steamed to Pagoda in her. His Excellency was accompanied by Capt. Backus (Chief of Staff) and Capt. Lieut. Tacton, also by Captain Wilbrandt of the *Jaguar*. During his stay, he and his officers have been the guests of Mr. G. Siemssen, the German Consul.

Mr. William Graham one of our oldest residents and at the same time one of the most popular and most highly respected members of the community, left this port on Wednesday last. There was a large gathering of his friends and a host of Chinese at the wharf on Tuesday night to see the last of him and wish him God-speed. Against the general regret that is felt at his severing himself from us, there is the assurance that it is for his advancement in life. He has gone to the land of millenaria, a where there will be more scope for the exercise of his undoubted abilities as a man of business than there is at this outpost, and he has the hearty good wishes of this community for success in his new work.

A ghostlike assemblage gathered at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank yesterday night. Eerie and weird was the aspect of a silent throng, the dancers arrayed in the "latest thing" in bed linen, and one was reminded of Professor Davis's scene of Maskeyne and Cook. This throng of silent figures was the most brilliant and jolliest of the season's ever seen. Every detail was carried out to perfection, one special feature of the dance being the band of the First Regiment, which came up from Meten for the occasion, and the kindness of Admiral Gieseler, in giving to the band, on a good day, with ever so many, an amiable conclusion to pure enjoyment was indeed a treat for our out-of-the-world little party, and the genial host, Mr. Rickett, is much to be congratulated on the success of his dance.

Professor Zuercher, a co-jury of more than every-day proficiency, gave two entertainments at the Theatre on Tuesday—Foolchow Echo.

The O. & O. steamer *Cadie*, with mails, left Nagasaki on the 20th inst. at 4 p.m., and is due at Manila on the 25th inst., at 7 a.m. Her mails were transferred at Nagasaki to *Kasuga Maru*, and are due here to-morrow morning.

The N. Y. K. steamer *Kasuga Maru* (Australian Line) left Nagasaki for this port on the 20th inst., p.m., and is expected here to-morrow.

The C.P.E. steamer *Empress of India* left Yokohama on the 20th inst., p.m., for Victoria and Vancouver.

The steamer *Gregory Apar*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the afternoon of the 20th inst.

The N. Y. K. steamer *Isaba Maru* (European Line) left Singapore for this port on the 20th inst., p.m., and is expected here on the 26th inst.

The O.E.S. steamer *Kinkaid* left Singapore on the 21st inst., and is expected here on the 26th inst.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

NEWS VIA CEYLON.

THE GERMAN AND BRITISH NAVIES.
London, 4th February.
The German Emperor has promised to the Reichstag a table recently prepared by himself, showing the remarkable preponderance of the naval strength of Great Britain over Germany in every class.

RE-DISTRIBUTION OF SEATS.

London, 4th February.
Mr. Austen Chamberlain, speaking at Birmingham, said that the time was rapidly approaching when Government would have to deal with the re-distribution of seats to remedy the inequalities of representation.

THE FRENCH MINIMUM TARIFF.

London, 4th February.
The French Customs Commission have approved the Bill provisionally granting minimum tariffs on foodstuffs from countries concluding agreements with France before the 24th instant. Agreements have been already concluded regarding the Seychelles, and negotiations concerning India, Ceylon, and Mauritius are approaching conclusion.

London, 6th February.
The French Chamber has adopted the Customs arrangement.

SOMALIAND.

Bombay, 3rd February.
The transport *Sirsa* sailed from Bombay to-day for Obbat with a general base hospital for the Somaliand campaign, which was mobilised at Bombay. Mr. Melton Prior, the war artist, is also on board.

An order has been received from Brigadier-General Manning to send round to him at Obbat all camels available. This corroborates the reported treachery of the Sultan of Obbat, who first promised his support to the British with transport. The correspondent avers the building of a light railway from Serboha to Obbat, as cheaper in the end and absolutely certain to finish off the campaign.

London, 4th February.
Colonel Cobbe's force has been within forty miles of Galki; but the Mallah has retired to Webbe Shobell, which is disconcerting. When the column advances, Obbat will be abandoned, Bobote becoming its base of supplies.

Later.
The Italian Consul has sent Sheikh Yusuf Ali, who was mentioned on the 8th January as being in communication with the Mallah and causing uneasiness, aboard the *Nonsuch*. The work of the expedition is now expected to proceed more smoothly.

SOUTH AFRICA.

London, 6th February.
The authorities have determined for the time being to modify the programme for the gradual reduction of the force now in South Africa. It is understood that this is a direct result of the Colonial Secretary's tour, and Lord Milner's convictions on the subject.

London, 7th February.
The Orange River Colony Boers are sharply divided. The Loyalist party is headed by General Plet de Wet. The moderates, whose address Mr. Chamberlain received on Thursday, however, attempted to re-open the question of the Vereeniging terms like the Transvaal Boers in the address at Pretoria, and met with a similar reply. The extremists are headed by General Christian De Wet. Yesterday's interviews have accentuated the divisions.

WEST AFRICAN OPERATIONS.

London, 5th February.
At the conclusion of the Kano operations there will be a fresh concentration of troops at Yelwa on the Niger, preliminary to a movement towards Sokoto.

SHIPPING FREIGHTS.

London, 5th February.
Lord Onslow, speaking at a change, referred to the heavy freight rates to South Africa and to the shipping ring, and declared that as the Transvaal and Orange River Colony were about to place very large orders, the Colonial Office would endeavour to secure fair, although remunerative, rates even if it had to charter its own steamers. It is the duty of Government to try to reduce the enormous cost of living in South Africa.

FOOD SCARCITY IN WAR TIME.

London, 5th February.
The Duke of Sutherland's Association mentioned on February 2nd, to promote enquiry into the scarcity of food supply in war time, met yesterday. The Duke of Sutherland presided. Lord Rathona and others urged the importance of the movement; and it was decided to ask Mr. Balfour to receive a deputation in that connection.

MILITIA RESERVE.

London, 5th February.
A special Army Order has been issued containing regulations as to the formation of a reserve division of Militia, giving details as to the classes eligible for such reserve.

THE ALASKAN BOUNDARY QUESTION.

London, 6th February.
President Roosevelt and Mr. Secretary Hay have practically abandoned hope of the Senate ratifying the Treaty settling the Alaskan frontier question, mentioned on the 25th January, owing to the opposition of Senators from the North-West.

ARMY REFORM AGITATION.

London, 6th February.
The *Times*' exposure of the present military inefficiency in Great Britain, in connection with the policy of the present Government, has roused very considerable attention in Parliamentary circles. It is understood that early in the forthcoming session a campaign against the present Army policy will be started. The campaign will find support on both sides of the House.

EARL PERCY ON INDIAN AFFAIRS.

London, 6th February.
Earl Percy has been entertained at a banquet at Kensington to celebrate his appointment as Under-Secretary of State for India. In the course of his speech he said he believed that the problems of India would continue to tax the high resources of statesmanship, in which native enterprise will play a large part. Railways and irrigation might do much to balance the climatic conditions, and facilitate the rapid distribution of cheap food; but he thought we must look to more permanent and less obvious remedies, such as the inoculation of thrift and the removal of the indebtedness of agriculturists, and the development of the enormous resources of the country. He considered that our administration of India was attended with a certain measure of efficiency due in no slight degree to the fact that Indian

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Hongkong, 17th February, 1903.

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questions were not allowed to become the battleground of English political parties. He was glad that it was felt that India required not the fluent omniscience of globe-trotters, but the far greater qualities of commonsense, judgment, and stability of purpose.

M. CAMILLE PELLETAN AGAIN.

London, 7th February.
Mr. Pelletan, speaking in the French Chamber on the navy estimates, said that France has admirable bases in the Mediterranean and Atlantic but nothing has been done to fortify them. If France were surprised by war tomorrow she would find herself without naval bases. France had never been very enthusiastic over colonial expansion, but to-day her honour was at stake and she must defend her colonies.

Later.
M. Pelletan yesterday evening specially advocated a strong naval base at Diego Suarez to command the Cape route to the East, which was the only route available in time of war.

A GOLD STANDARD FOR CHINA WITHOUT A GOLD CURRENCY.

Under this title a writer in the *P. & T. Times* has two long articles, at the end of which he suggests the following scheme, saying:—
"In recommending that the following steps be taken by the Chinese Government, it should be borne in mind that these recommendations are not those that would have been made if we had been dealing with a country with a strong central government like India or Japan. It is hoped, however, that they will be found practicable in China where, in view of the deeply ingrained conservatism of the people and the fear that the government is hardly strong enough to enforce at once sweeping changes in the currency, it has been felt that a slow and gradual reform is the only remedy possible."

The suggested steps are divided into three parts with intervals of one year between each. These intervals are in order to allow time for the innovations suggested in Part I to find their way into public favour, and to place the government in a position more effectually to take the steps recommended in Parts II and III. Put briefly the scheme is:—

(1) The establishment of a national bank.
(2) The institution of a gold coinage.
(3) The closing of China to the free import of silver.
(4) The acceptance by China of gold in exchange for her new silver coinage.
(5) The establishment of a "China office" in London and New York.
(6) It is hoped that the scheme, or a modification thereof, will prove a simple remedy, perfectly practicable to China, and which will serve to put the sterling exchange on a stable basis and the finances of China on a sound condition.

SCHEME FOR THE ADOPTION BY CHINA OF A GOLD STANDARD.

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NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [615]

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Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [614]

PUBLIC LECTURE.

THE Reverend DR. PENTECOST, D.D., LL.D., has kindly consented to deliver a Lecture on "THE REASONABLENESS OF CHRISTIANITY," in the CITY HALL, on WEDNESDAY, the 25th FEBRUARY, at 5.15 p.m.

The undersigned will take the chair. The public are invited to this meeting.

H. E. POLLOCK, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong Odd Volumes Society.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [618]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will Sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), the 24th FEBRUARY, 1903, at 12.30 p.m., near the Fountain, opposite the City Hall, SEVERAL WALTERS AND CHINA PORCELAINS.

To follow the Sale of "BRILLIANT." Owners of Walters and Porcelains wishing to enter their animals for this sale are requested to do so before Noon TO-MORROW (TUESDAY). DO NOT MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [616]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

OF SILK EMBROIDERIES, TEMPLE BROCADES AND FINE ART CURIOS.

THE Undersigned will Sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY, the 28th FEBRUARY, 1903, commencing at 2 p.m. sharp, at his SALON ROOMS, Duddell Street, EMBROIDERIES, BROCADES AND CURIOS.

Comprising:—SILK EMBROIDERED WALL HANGINGS, BED COVERS, CUSHION COVERS, D'APERIES, TEMPLE BROCADES, SILK KIMONOS, &c., &c.; CLOISONNE, SATSUMA, OLD AND NEW BRONZES, LACQUER-WARE, OLD WOOD CARVINGS, PORCELAIN, &c., &c.

ARTISTIC CUT VELVET PICTURES by "Nishimura."

On View from Friday, the 27th February. Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [617]

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR KUDAT & SANDAKAN. Taking Cargo at through rates to TAWAU, LAHAD DATU and LABUAN.

THE Company's Steamship

"SANDAKAN," will be ready to load for the above ports on THURSDAY Morning, the 26th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [611]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS is now ready, and contains:—

SUPPLEMENT:—THE LOCAL CURRENCY QUESTION; being a Complete Report of the Meeting of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.

Leading Article:—The Currency Question.

Chinese and Foreigners.

China Tea.

Military and Naval Rowdies and the Native Police.

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Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [612]

LOST.

A BLACK FUR BOA (PLAT), on Friday, about 1 p.m.; Caine or Bonham Road. Reward will be given.

Apply—Miss EYRE, 11, Bonham Road.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [613]

FOR NAGASAKI, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

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"ANDALUSIA," Captain von Döhren, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 24th inst., at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1903. [610]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHEW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAICHING," Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 24th inst., at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1903. [609]

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"ANDALUSIA," Captain von Döhren, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1903. [609]

NOW ON SALE.

THE CURRENCY QUESTION. A FULL REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

regarding the above question has been published as a SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT to the "HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS."

Copies of the Supplement may be obtained price 10 Cents per Copy Cash, or \$1 a dozen.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [578]

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MAIL TABLES.

THE Card published at the Daily Press Office contains:—

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Calendar for 1903.

That is more information than is given on one printed in London for which fifty cents is charged. The price of the locally printed correct card is 25 cents on paper, 30 cents on cardboard. Supplied only for cash by Daily Press Office or the Booksellers.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1903.

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, to Sell by Public Auction, TO-DAY (MONDAY), the 13rd FEBRUARY, 1903, at 11 A.M., at the CENTRAL POLICE STATION, A QUANTITY OF SURPLUS STORES.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [574]

NOTICE.

"BRILLIANT" Winner of Hongkong Derby and Garrison Cup 1903, with an unbeaten record, will be put up to PUBLIC AUCTION at the FOUNTAIN in front of the City Hall, TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), the 24th inst., at 12.30 o'clock.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1903. [601]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, on WEDNESDAY, the 25th FEBRUARY, 1903, at 11 A.M., at Tsim-tsa-tsi on Marine Lots 4 and 5, About 2,500 Tons of CARDIFF COAL.

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TERMS:—As usual.

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Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [568]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Mr. E. CORNWALL LEWIS, to Sell by Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY, the 25th FEBRUARY, 1903, at 2.30 P.M., at No. 5, SALISBURY AVENUE, KOWLOON, THE WHOLE OF HIS HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

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Hongkong, 21st February, 1903. [596]

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Hongkong, 9th January, 1903. [546]

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THE GOVERNMENT ASSESSOR, The Treasury.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [575]

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [587]

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Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [585]

EOTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the EOTHEN MARK LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, on THURSDAY, the 26th FEBRUARY, at 5 for 5.30 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [586]

DAVID CORSE & SON, MERCHANT NAVY NAVY BOILED LONG FLAX BELLAIR CROWN TRAPPAING ARNOLD, KARBBERG & CO., Sole Agents.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [583]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the OFFICES of the Company, Queen's Buildings, New Praya, THIS DAY (MONDAY), the 23rd FEBRUARY, 1903, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1902.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 23rd FEBRUARY, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, GEO. A. CALDWELL, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1903. [426]

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, Limited, will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES in Bank Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), the 24th FEBRUARY, 1903, at 11 o'clock A.M., when the subjoined Resolution, which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 7th February, 1903, will be submitted for confirmation as a special resolution.

That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following:—

(a) In Article (79) the word "nine" shall be substituted for the word "seven."

(b) In Article (88) the words "nine thousand" shall be substituted for the words "seven thousand."

By Order of the Board of Directors, T. ARNOLD, Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1903. [474]

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, Pedder's Street, on MONDAY, the 2nd day of MARCH, 1903, at 12 o'clock Noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1902, and the Report of the General Managers and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th February to the 2nd March, both days inclusive.

J. ARNOLD, MATHIESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1903. [476]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 5th March, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 19th instant to the 5th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order, GEO. L. TOMLIN, Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1903. [444]

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE CERTIFICATE of 8 SHARES numbered 5882/5889, standing in the Register of this Company in the name of Late E. EBRAHIM, having been LOST, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Duplicate Certificate for the said 8 Shares will be issued one month hence and that the Original Certificate unless produced within that period will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1903. [425]

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL DEVONIAN DINNER will be held at the HONGKONG CLUB on SATURDAY, 14th MARCH, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Any Devonians wishing to attend are requested to communicate with the undersigned.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1903. [507]

OWNERS of HOUSES situated in the Eastern Division of the City of Victoria and in the Eastern Division of Kowloon who have not had their premises LIMEWASHED and CLEANSED in accordance with law, are reminded that the period during which the work should be finished ends on the 28th February, 1903, and the Sanitary Board being convinced of the necessity of cleanliness in its efforts to STAMP OUT PLAGUE, is determined to PROSECUTE any owner in default after the above named date.

The Eastern Division of the City lies to the East of Garden Road. The Eastern Division of Kowloon is all that part of the Kowloon Peninsula to the East of Robinson Road and includes Hung Hom and part of Tsimshatsui.

By Order, G. A. WOODCOCK, Secretary.

Sanitary Board Office, 1st February, 1903. [395]

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Hongkong, 3rd January, 1902. [72]

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THE LATE M. DE BLOWITZ.

In view of the relation in which he stood to
the paper, the obituary notice of the late M. de
Blowitz in the *Times* must be considered the
official one. We make a few extracts—

Such a man as Blowitz, whose large heart
and ready wit found favour with the best
Frenchmen of the time, whose intimate know-
ledge of French and foreign politics brought
him constantly into the society of the first
diplomats of Europe, whose interesting per-
sonality made him welcome in all kinds of
society, was bound to attain a high position
even in Paris, where society is divided up into
compartments and universal favourites are rare.
Add to this a charming wife and the privilege
of influencing public opinion through the
medium of the *Times*, and finally a keen sense
of his own power and a determination to use it
to the utmost, and it will readily be understood
that he came to occupy a position which is
probably unique in the history of journalism.
But his perseverance was no less remarkable than
his brilliancy. He went up like a rocket; but
instead of coming down like the stick, he main-
tained his high position by untiring efforts as
long as his physical strength lasted. Instead
of being a nine-days' wonder, he became a
household word a variable institution. In
Paris, as has often been said, he was
ranked with an Ambassador. He was a
man whom everybody of consequence
considered it his duty to know and some-
times to consult; and no wise man cared to have
him for an enemy. If his fame, however, did not
depend solely on his competence in questions of
politics; as a member of society he had a
peculiar charm of his own. He was gifted with
an original and philosophic mind, great power
of language, and a strong sense of humour, and
last, but not least, a dose of *esprit* at which
even Frenchmen marvelled. His total absence
of self-consciousness, taken in connection with
his extraordinary appearance, astonished those
who met him for the first time. He was an
excellent raconteur and his company was no less
agreeable to women than to men. Whenever the
dile of Paris was, at every *Vernissage* or
Premiere, there was Blowitz, and at any official
or diplomatic reception the retentive little figure
of the *Ambassadeur du Times*, with his clouded
brow, his frilled shirt, and voluminous white
tie, was sure to be honoured with a constant
attention by distinguished persons of both sexes.

He exemplified the triumph of mind over matter
in a rare degree; it was no empty compliment
that Mme. Sarah Bernhardt paid him when she
gave him her photograph signed, "*Au plus
fin d'esprit la plus fine de corps*."
Such was the enviable position that Blowitz
occupied within a few years of his appointment.
To give a record of his doings from month to
month or even from year to year is neither
possible nor desirable. Ministers rose and fell,
statesmen retired or died, he alone seemed to
resist the wear and tear of time and a busy life.
The most interesting passages of his life are
secret and will remain for ever unknown; but
the prodigious outpourings of that prodigious
activity which forced itself upon the attention
of the world whenever a subject of European
interest cropped up can be appreciated even now
by anyone who takes the trouble to consult the
back numbers of the *Times*.

In 1883 he went to Rome on the invitation
of the Roman Press Association, by whom he
was offered a banquet. During his visit he had
the honour of an audience of King Humbert,
and the very next day was received by the
Pope, with whom he conversed for two hours.
Of this conversation he never published a word,
and the only information he vouchsafed when
asked about it, was that it was the most extraor-
dinary interview that he had ever had. He
went indeed so far as to say that its publication
would have *bouleversé le monde*.

It was about this time that Blowitz, who was
a great hand at anticipating events before they
occurred, announced in the *Times* that the
Russians were going to Merv—a piece of news
that was immediately contradicted by the
Russian Government and, therefore, disbelieved
in England, where Ministers, rather than face
what might be rather an awkward truth, con-
tented themselves with facetious remarks about
"Mervousness." Count Leontieff even came
to Paris to assure Blowitz that he had been
duped and asked him to publish a contradiction.
Blowitz promised to do so if Leontieff would
come back in six months and repeat his assurances.
Needless to say the Count never came back,
for within six months Blowitz's prophecy was ful-
filled.

Blowitz was extremely careful to preserve his
perfect independence of judgment in questions
of French politics. His sympathies were aristo-
cratic. But in spite of his personal friendship
and regard for some members of the Orleans
family, such as the Comte de Paris and the Duc
d'Anjou, whose banishment in 1836 he strenu-
ously opposed, he recognised that the Republic
was the only practicable form of Government for

France, and he accordingly defended it to the
best of his ability. He was consistently severe
towards the militant Royalists, Imperialists,
Socialists, and Nationalists, and gave his support
to those Moderate Republicans, whose existence
at any critical moment might easily have escaped
notice in the din made by the extreme factions,
but whom he considered to represent the
soundest and most respectable element of French
opinion. He had great confidence in the com-
mon sense of the French nation as a whole, and
the factions under men of more or less talent by
whom the body politic was distracted from time
to time were treated by him as so many ugly
but essentially harmless excrescences. It was
this particular fondness of his for impersonal
France which led him to oppose everything that
was personal or partial in her political life; and
led those who confound France with the French-
men most on evidence to call him anti-French
and antipathetic. The fact is he never let his
personal friendships obscure his political judg-
ment; and the readiness with which he attacked
his friends on occasion was odious to those
friends themselves and incomprehensible to
lookers-on. A typical instance of his lofty
treatment of State affairs may be seen in an
article written in 1886, in which he set forth
the many errors of judgment committed by
Admiral Jaurès, French Ambassador at St.
Petersburg; and declared politely but firmly
that the sooner the Admiral was recalled the
better. The fact that the Admiral was a friend
of his and that he himself was admittedly re-
sponsible for his appointment made no difference.
The Admiral had to go. In the same way his long-
standing personal regard for the Comte de Paris
did not prevent him from severely condemning
the Comte's conversion to Boulangism in 1883.
Blowitz, in short, considered policies of much
more account than persons; and he had a way of
reminding those in high places that they could
only reckon upon his support so long as it was
justified by their actions, the result of which
was that he inspired more respect than affection
in the bosoms of some of his friends. Nor is this
surprising, for if Blowitz was incapable of
willfully distorting the truth or breaking a
confidence, it must be admitted that his vivid
imagination and his intense absorption in the
evolution of a journalist occasionally led him
into indiscretions that conflicted with the ideas
of English journalism. Blowitz's defence on
such occasions was that confidence had never
been expressly exacted from him—and that
communications made without that reservation
were "pieces of history that belonged, not to
me, but to the paper I serve." We do not and
cannot defend all that was covered by pleas of
this kind; but standards which we strongly
contend for here are not always maintained
elsewhere; and something must be pardoned to
an exceptional personality and genius.

To his personal friends—to obscure colleagues
and to those who came to him for help or advice
he was charming. But to people who thought
themselves in a position to do him favours
he was as unbending as Dr. Johnson himself.
In expressing an opinion he took no pains to
soften down the hard edges of the truth. On
being asked by Prince Orloff, the Russian
Ambassador, one day during Thiers's Presidency
on account of a telegram of his, he replied, "*Mon
Prince, le proverbe dit 'Gratias le Russe et vous
trouverez le Turcare' ; mais je vois que che-
votre Excellence on n'a pas besoin de gratier.*"
Such was the soft answer with which Blowitz
hoped to turn away the Prince's wrath.

Blowitz has been called the Father of the
Interview. It is quite possible that his remark-
able success in this department of journalism
may have set the fashion which has since
become so vile an abuse. But interviewing
was a different art in Blowitz's day. Great
men were less accessible than than now, and
perhaps less sensible of the power of the
Press and of the uses of advertisement. How-
ever this may be, persons who would on no
account see any other journalist were as a rule
pleased to see Blowitz, and when they had seen
him once were usually glad to see him again;
for he could see further into a brick wall than
most people, and made it a rule never to go
to see an important man without having some-
thing interesting to tell him. It was known,
moreover, that he only interviewed men of real
weight and importance. His account of his
interview with the Shah of Persia in 1890 so
delighted His Majesty that he sent Blowitz the
Grand Cordon of the Lion and the Sun.

In 1890 he published in the *Times* extracts
from the Memoirs of Prince Talleyrand, to the
astonishment of their custodian. These extracts
he quoted from memory, having only been
furnished with a hasty glance at the text; but
his memory served him so well that the memoirs
were immediately given to the public for fear
that their publication should be anticipated by
the *Times*.

In 1892 a great disappointment befell him. In
that year he sent an article to the *Times* reveal-
ing the conclusion of a military convention
and forecasting an alliance between Russia and
France. But, as nobody but Blowitz seemed
to know anything about such a convention, his
information was not published, and it was not
till five years afterwards, when the Franco-
Russian alliance was proclaimed, that his news
was proved to have been correct. Misfortunes
of this kind are common in the experience of
every correspondent, and Blowitz had his share
of them. But of this one in particular he said
that he would die with it *sur le cœur*.

There have been great correspondents before
Blowitz's time and there will be many in the
future. Many men have used journalism as a
means to fame in other walks of life, and many
have brought a famous name with them into
journalism. But Blowitz can be compared to
none of these. His loyalty to his profession
was one of his greatest qualities. Unknown and
untried when he joined the *Times*, having
neither religion, race, nor la. gauge in common
with his colleagues, he remained to the day of
his death a stranger to the more intimate

aspects of Printing-house Square. But, on
taking service with the *Times*, he quickly
grasped the principles to which he was expected
to conform. From that moment he devoted
himself wholly to the service of the chiefs whom
he knew but vaguely, but whose ideals he so
thoroughly understood. Well and boldly did
he acquit himself of his charge; and long will
the *Times*, the greatest loser by his death,
honour the memory of that great man who,
gifted beyond his fellows, was content to live
according to the maxim which he once
enunciated as the true philosophy under
Heaven—"A man's success is in proportion to
the trouble he takes."

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FROM	STEAMERS	TO	SAIL
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 23rd February.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KINTUCK"	On 26th February.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 11th March.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PINGSUEY"	On 21st March.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"QANPA"	On 26th March.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MENELAUS"	On 26th March.	

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	SAIL
LONDON VIA GENOA	"DIOMED"	On 7th March.	
LONDON	"MACHAON"	On 17th March.	
LONDON	"GLAUCUS"	On 31st March.	
LONDON	"PINGSUEY"	On 14th April.	
LONDON	"JASON"	On 28th April.	

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	SAIL
LIVERPOOL VIA GENOA	"KINTUCK"	On 20th March.	
LIVERPOOL VIA GENOA	"DEUCALION"	On 23rd April.	

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	SAIL
MARSEILLES and ANTWERP	"PYRILUS"	On 28th February.	

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA Kobe & YOKOHAMA.	"ACHILLES"	On 24th February.	
The S.S. "ACHILLES" left Singapore on the 17th inst., a.m., and is due here on the 23rd inst.			
The S.S. "KINTUCK" left Singapore on the 21st inst., and is expected here on the 26th inst.			
For Freight, apply to			

**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.**

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	SAIL
TIENTSIN	"NANCHANG"	On 23rd February.	
SHANGHAI	"TAIWAN"	On 24th February.	
TIENTSIN	"KANSU"	On 24th February.	
MANILA, CEBU and LOILO	"KIUKIANG"	On 24th February.	
FOOCHOW	"PAKHOI"	On 25th February.	
SHANGHAI	"KWEILIN"	On 26th February.	
MANILA	"SUNGKIANG"	On 26th February.	
SHANGHAI	"SZECHUEN"	On 28th February.	
AMOI, SAMARANG and SOERABAYA	"SHANTUNG"	On 28th February.	
MANILA	"CHANGSHA"	On 11th March.	
THURSDAY ISLAND and COOKTOWN	"CHANGSHA"	On 11th March.	
CANTON, TOWNSVILLE, BRIS- BANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"CHANGSHA"	On 11th March.	
Kobe	"CHINGTI"	On 16th March.	

The S.S. "SUNGKIANG" left Manila on the 18th inst., at 6 p.m., and is expected to arrive here on the morning of the 21st inst.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivaled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	SAIL	REMARKS.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANG- HAI, NAGASAKI, MOJI and KOBE	CANDIA	About 24th	February	Freight only.
(Passing through the Inland Sea)	E. G. Andrews	February		
LONDON, &c.	BENGAL	Noon, 28th	February	See Special
SHANGHAI	A. L. Valentini	February		Advertisement.
SHANGHAI and KOBE	VALETTA	About 28th	February	Freight or
LONDON and ANTWERP, VIA	W. B. Palmer, R.N.R.	February		Passage.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	MAGAZON	About 28th	February	Freight only.
	G. Phillips, R.N.R.	February		
	BANCA	Noon, 4th	March	Freight only.
	E. P. Martin, R.N.R.	March		

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RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila Direct.	On 27th Feb., at Noon
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila Direct.	On 6th Mar., at Noon
DIAMANTE	1880	A. H. Noley		
PERLA	1880	J. McGinty		

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.**

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THE RUSSIAN EAST ASIATIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR HAVRE, COPENHAGEN AND
BALTIC PORTS.

THE Russian Steamer

"KOREA."

Captain Pernitz will leave for the above ports on or about the 2nd March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.**

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NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with the CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'s fortnightly service hence to CAPE TOWN. Sailings from CAPE TOWN for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to

**DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
General Agents for China and Japan.**

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TOYO KISEN KAISHA MANILA LINE.



REGULAR SERVICE
BETWEEN HONGKONG AND
MANILA IN 48 HOURS.

Largest and Fastest Steamers on the route. Excellent Accommodation. Cuisine Unexcelled. Unrivaled Speed. Fitted throughout with Electric Light. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

Steamship	Captain	Tons	Sailing Date.
ROHILLA MARU	E. P. Bishop	3869	Tuesday, 24th February, at Noon.
ROSETTA MARU	N. Tate	3876	Tuesday, 3rd March, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 3, Queen's Building, Ice House Street.

K. NAKASHIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [478]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"NAMSANG"

Captain Geo. Paye, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 24th inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.**

Hongkong, 17th February, 1903. [558]

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"GIBRALTAR."

Captain D. Morris, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 24th inst.

For Freight apply to

**SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Agents.**

Hongkong, 17th February, 1903. [479]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMSHIPS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP,
VIA GENOA.

THE Steamship

"GLENGYLE."

Captain T. Darke, R.N.R., will be despatched as above ON WEDNESDAY, the 25th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW,
General Agents.**

Hongkong, 5th February, 1903. [433]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Japanese Mail Steamship

"KASUGA MARU."

3,600 Tons. Captain H. Fraser, will be despatched for the above port ON-FRIDAY, the 27th inst., at 4 p.m.

This well-known Steamer is specially constructed for the service in the Tropics, and is provided with superior accommodation and with all modern fittings and improvements for the safety and comfort of Passengers. Electric Light and Refrigerator. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**A. S. MIHARA,
Manager.**

Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [563]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON. THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"BENGAL."

Captain A. L. Valentini, carrying His Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this for Bombay, on SATURDAY, the 28th February, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay with transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to

**E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.**

Hongkong, 16th February, 1903. [1]

FOR KOBE, NAGASAKI AND VLADIVOSTOK.

THE Steamship

"SAVOIA."

Captain Robbeldum, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 5th March, at DAYLIGHT.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for First Class Passengers and carries a Doctor.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE,
Hongkong Office.**

Hongkong, 18th February, 1903. [559]

FOR SHANGHAI, DALNY AND PORT ARTHUR.

THE Steamship

"SULLBERG."

Captain Meyer, will be despatched for the above ports on SUNDAY, the 15th March, at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE,
Hongkong Office.**

Hongkong, 18th February, 1903. [560]

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

HONGKONG-MANILA.

REDUCED SALOON PASSAGE

MONEY.

SINGLE, \$20; RETURN, \$35.

STEAMERS FITTED THROUGHOUT WITH ELECTRIC LIGHT. FIRST CLASS ACCOMMODATION. UNRIVALLED TABLE. DULY QUALIFIED SURGEON CARRIED.

**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
AGENTS.**

Hongkong, 9th January, 1903. [280]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL
(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT PHILIPPINE
PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1903.

"SHIMOSA" ... About 3rd March.

"THORIS" ... 15th March.

For Freight and further information, apply to

**DODWELL & CO., LD.,
Agents.**

Hongkong, 18th February, 1903. [3494]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM- SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at Port Darwin, and QUEENSLAND
PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADE-
LAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.).

THE Steamship

"EMPIRE."

Captain McArthur, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 5th March, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a refrigerating chamber, which ensures the supply of fresh provisions, ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

The Steamer is installed throughout with the electric light.

A stewardess and a duly qualified surgeon, are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers, the Steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in state-rooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.**

Hongkong, 6th February, 1903. [447]

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

SS. "WING CHAI."

Captain T. Austin, R.N.R.

DAILY Departure from Hongkong to Macao at 8 a.m. from Macao to Hongkong at 2 p.m. Sunday included.

1st Class fare (including cabin and servant), \$3; return ticket, \$5.

2nd Class, \$1.50; return ticket, \$2.50.

3rd Class, \$1.

Storage, \$1.50.

Superior cabin accommodation.

Wharf in Hongkong, opposite Central Market; at Macao, C. M. S. N. Company's Wharf.

For Freight, &c., apply to—

**SAM WANG & CO., LD.,
81, Queen Road Central.**

Hongkong, 10th February, 1903. [392]

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"NANKIN."

FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo—

From Persian Gulf, ex B. I. S. N. and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s steamers.

Goods not cleared by the 25th inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

**E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.**

Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [1]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE. NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"HAMBURG."

OF THE HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 10 a.m. To-morrow, the 21st inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 27th February will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Thursday, the 26th February, at 9.30 a.m., and Monday, the 2nd March, at 9.30 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 5th March, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

**NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.**

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [5]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"NESTOR"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., in both cases it will be at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 21st instant.

Optional Cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

